

MEET IN SOUTHWEST PACIFIC



MM 3/C KELLEY
Major's Mate 3 C Kelley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph L. Kelley, of 205 Price Ave., Narberth, and Gunner's Mate 2 C Charles Becker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. R. Becker, of 212 Forest Ave., Narberth recently met on an island in the Southwest Pacific. Kelley entered the service in 1943, is attached to the post office on the island, and has been overseas since December, 1944. Becker has been overseas 16 months. He entered the service in April, 1943, and was able to see his friend while his ship stopped at the island for several hours. Both boys wrote their parents that it was the best day they had ever had in the Navy.

NEWS OF THE MEN AND WOMEN IN SERVICE

LT. John E. Oatis flew from Cloy, New Mexico, arriving Tuesday night to spend a week with his wife, Betty Grace Oatis, 200 S. Narberth Ave.

T/S David Blue, Montgomery County Apartments, is home on 30 days furlough after 16 months in the European theater. He will report to Indianapolis, Ind.

Pvt. Jack Tolani, 210 Wayne Ave., spent 10 days delay in Europe with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James E. Tolani, who are spending the summer at their cottage, 1224 Pleasure Ave., Ocean City, N. J. Pvt. Tolani will report to Camp Maxey, Texas.

LT. Robert Miller, Glandville, Pa., arrived home on Tuesday, after 18 months in the Canadian Air Force in 1940, later transferred to the American Theater. He has been honorably discharged from the Canadian Air Force and a half year's service.

LT. Harry C. Middleton, U. S. M. C. R., Shirley Rd., returned last Sunday to his home at 1224 Pleasure Ave., Ocean City, N. J., after 17 months overseas.

LT. Walter Donahue, A. A. F. of 25 Pittsburgh, returned on Tuesday to his home at 1224 Pleasure Ave., Ocean City, N. J., after 17 months overseas. He was honorably discharged from the U. S. Army and is now studying at Trinity College, Conn.

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Six Story Apartment Case Will Be Argued Before County Court

Developer Has Building Permit But Will Probably Wait Until Legal Status Is Clear; Township Still Has Merion Petition Under Advisement

E. J. Frankel could proceed with the construction of a six story apartment house in Merion but the developer will probably wait until September when the case is listed to come before Montgomery County Court at Norristown.

Construction of the apartment house at Old Lancaster Rd. and N. L. Hughes Lane has been projected by a petition bearing the signatures of 1367 Merion residents.

Last week the Lower Merion commissioners held a stormy three hour hearing on the petition in which the Township is asked to change the zoning of the tract to prevent the encroachment of the apartment house development. The commissioners still have the matter under advisement.

Frankel could proceed because Judge Harold G. Knight of Montgomery County Court issued a writ of mandamus directing that Lower Merion officials issue the building permit.

Last Friday was the date of a hearing for the petition issued by Judge William Dannehower in an equity action brought by the Merion Civic Association asking for a preliminary injunction to block construction of the apartment building. Answers to the rule were filed by the defendants Frankel, C. E. Rahn, Lower Merion's superintendent of building inspection, Max H. Rothstein, and his wife, owners of the property on which the apartment was to be built, and Edward Margolin, real estate broker who handled the deal.

Plaintiffs, however, withdrew their case when the court ruled that the case was moot.

Now Frankel has the permit and there is apparently nothing in the township's zoning ordinance to stop him from building his apartment house. But there is still a question as to whether he will proceed with construction until after disposition of the equity action.

The equity action gives Frankel and the other defendants "adequate notice" of any building he might do and he will proceed with construction until after disposition of the equity action.

Various legal technicalities are raised in the answer of the defendants who aver that the bill in equity is defective for many reasons, primarily because there is nothing in the zoning code to stop it. They further point out that there is no reason for the Rothsteins to be included in the State Department of Commerce.

Officers of the State Game Commission's field force will officially assist in obtaining data.

The booklet will contain a list of hotels, mans, camps, cabins, large homes and other places where hunters may obtain accommodations during the small and big game seasons, the game laws, the names and addresses of game protectors and other data and information of value to hunters.

Persons not now known to the Department may be listed for the booklet by giving their names to game protectors or sending them to the State Department of Commerce, Harrisburg, Pa.

Questionnaires will be sent not only to those hotels or individuals whose names appeared in the 1944 State Department of Commerce booklet, but also to those who may want to be included. These questionnaires, when properly filled out and sent to the bureau, will give all the information needed to compile the booklet.

Lower Merion's Health
Seven cases of contagious disease were reported by the Lower Merion Board of Health for the week ending July 20 as follows: three cases of measles; one case of mumps; one case of scarlet fever; one case of tuberculosis; one of whooping cough. The case of scarlet fever was Suzanne Peterson, 3, 53 Allendale Rd., Overbrook Hills.

W. Joseph Blood and his assistant, Miss Jane Austin supervise all activities. There is an enclosed playground for children up to six years of age, in which the children have a large sand box, sliding boards, see saws and swings. Outside the enclosure there are large see saws, sliding boards, a giant slide, and small basketball diamond for older children.

The Narberth Playground has five concrete tennis courts, the only public concrete courts along the Main Line, and a large baseball diamond, as well as a small one. You will find ping pong tables, shuffle boards, badminton, volleyball, hopscotch, quoits, horseshoes and basketball.

Those seated in the ping pong tournament which starts this week are Alan Kirk, Ralph Blessing, Dick Chios and Joe Gryson.

Jane Austin, the assistant, is one of the outstanding tennis players of the Philadelphia and suburban districts, and began her career at the Narberth Playground. She may often be found sitting on a bench in the shade reading stories to an enthralled group of children.

One of the "Main Street" shops, having a worthwhile sale of women's dresses, suits, coats sweaters and handbags. There are some lovely children's dresses and covers as well. Add bits of pottery and glass are being sold at reduced prices.

Farther down the line another lovely shop is displaying a table of costume jewelry at reduced prices. Perhaps you'll find just the piece you're looking for at the price you wish to pay.

Lt. Graham Home; Escaped From Japs

Township Employee War One of L. M. "Bulldogs"

Lt. Robert J. Graham, USNR, formerly of 16 School Lane, Ardmore, is spending a 39-day leave with his wife, the former Miss Janet C. Rausford, of 2424 Walnut St., after dodging Japs and fighting off starvation for six months in the Borneo jungle.

Attacked by four Japanese fighter planes over Brunai Bay last January, the Liberator bomber in which Lt. Graham was flying, was forced to crash land in a paddy field. Nine survivors of the crew started on the 179-day trek back to civilization. Only four made the grade.

Afraid the Japanese would capture them, the airmen left their wrecked plane without taking time to salvage food or first aid equipment. After 13 days without regular rations, the nine men reached a tiny village, and all came down with malaria.

Hearing reports that the Japs were trailing them, the group decided to split up to raise suspicion. Graham, the strongest of his party, decided to investigate escape possibilities and made a four-day hike to a village where some army fliers were reported hiding. He was dogged by Jap patrols all the way. When they returned to the first village, Graham and his companions found that the Japs had caught and executed five of the survivors.

Finally, after recruiting natives to help build a crude airstrip, the men were rescued by an Australian liaison plane which carried them out one by one.

Lt. Graham, formerly employed by Lower Merion Township in the Sanitary Drainage Department, was a member of the famous Lower Merion Bulldogs who left in a group to join the Air Forces almost three years ago. Overseas for 17 months, he has been awarded the Purple Heart.

When asked about his experiences, Lt. Graham said, "I could just as well have done without the experience."

Married while home on leave in February, 1943, Lt. Graham will report to the Cape May, N. J., Naval Air Station after his leave.

Gardiner School Will Open Under New Name and Manager

The announcement that the Gardiner-Parker School for little children would open September 27 at the same location, 19 E. Wynnewood Rd., Wynnewood, under the name of the Pearson School, was made last week by Mrs. John S. Gardiner and Mrs. D. Howard Parker, who have operated the school for the past eight years.

The curriculum for the coming year will continue to be the same as before. The new school head is Mrs. David Pearson, 3rd, who has been principal there for the past two years.

C. B. Metzger Speaker At Rotary Meeting

Carl B. Metzger, Jr., of the National Gas Association, was the featured speaker at the meeting of the Bala-Cynwyd, Narberth Rotary meeting, held Tuesday afternoon.

After giving a short resume of his life, the speaker reviewed the past history of the bank. Statute that the deposits had grown to \$2,900,000, he added that 12 men and women are employed in comparison to three when the bank first started.

A number of visitors from the Ardmore Rotary Club were present. The meeting was presided over by William S. Howard, president. Dr. Monroe Purse introduced the speaker.

Luncheon-Guests of Home Service Corps

The Home Service Corps of the Main Line Red Cross entertained guests at luncheon served by the Center on July 23 at the Ardmore Headquarters.

Guest of honor was Miss Margaret C. Rausford, daughter of Lt. Robert J. Graham, who is now in the Home Service Department at chapter headquarters, Philadelphia, and Mrs. Theodore A. Philbrick, chairman of the Main Line Branch.

Financial 'Wizard' Begins Sentence

Monjar's Wife Pays Fine and Is Given Back Jewels

Hugh B. Monjar, financial "wizard" of Ardmore, was taken to the Federal penitentiary at Lewisburg Tuesday to begin a five-year sentence for fraud—two years after his conviction.

Monjar, president of the national Mantle Club, whose members were instructed in the tenets of "monetarism" and "faith" for a fee, also must pay a \$49,000 fine. Monjar and other club officers were convicted of using the mails to defraud members of more than \$1,000,000.

Also taken to Lewisburg were Abraham J. Cooke and Clement O. Drew, members of the board of directors. They must serve three-year terms and pay \$5,000 fines. Monjar's wife, Josephine, also convicted, left Wednesday for the Federal Reformatory for Women, Alderson, W. Va., to serve 18 months. She paid a \$10,000 fine Saturday, and received back jewelry valued at \$45,000 she had posted as security.

Another director, John Fenton Jones, who was given three years and a fine of \$5,000, was granted a delay by Federal Judge Paul Leahy, who presided over the trial. Jones also claimed he had secured new evidence which will clear him of the charges.

Swimming Club Has Fifth Meet

The Colonial Village Swimming Club held its fifth swimming meet of the season on Tuesday afternoon. As the summer competition nears the halfway mark, the leaders in the competition for the President's Trophy are Paula Hunter of Stratford and Elaine Rutledge of Ardmore. Trailing but in a good position to challenge the leaders are Bobby Fitzgerald of Wayne, Tommy Foster of Stratford, and Happy Englebert of Wayne.

Happy Englebert of Wayne with first place in diving, 25 yard free style and 25 yard breast stroke led the field in this week's Winter carnival.

Elaine Rutledge of Ardmore also started with first places in diving and 25 yds. freestyle for junior girls and a second place in the 25 yd. breast stroke race for girls of all ages.

Diving, junior girls: first, Elaine Rutledge, Ardmore; second, Hannah Roberts, Stratford; third, Frances McCready, Wayne.

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First Paralysis Case Reported In Suburb Proves To Be Fatal

Haverford High Boy Stricken July 16 Died Five Days Later; Lower Merion Has Five Girls Under Observation; No Cases In Narberth

The first case of infantile paralysis reported this summer in the townships of Haverford and Lower Merion and Narberth Borough proved fatal last Saturday.

Rhys Begel, 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Begel, 523 Central Ave., Bon Air, Haverford Township, was stricken with the disease on July 16 and died July 21. Begel would have been in senior class at Haverford High School this fall.

There were no cases of paralysis reported in Lower Merion or Narberth but in Lower Merion there were five suspects under observation. The Begal case was the first one Bryn Mawr Hospital has had this year.

Dr. Fritschman, secretary of Haverford Township, said that members of the Begal family have been quarantined. Rhys is survived by his parents and a sister, Judith Ann, 12.

According to the parents Rhys had not been swimming but on July 14, the Saturday before he was taken ill, he attended the theatre.

In the absence of D. N. Ross, Haverford health officer, who is away on vacation, Fritschman said no prevention program had been planned. One case, Fritschman said, was no indication that an epidemic form of paralysis was appearing and further developments would have to be awaited.

The five Lower Merion suspects were girls who were attending the P. T. Camp, Monroe County, Pa. A Long Island, N. Y., girl was stricken with the disease at the camp on July 17. The girls under observation are:

Peggy Fritz, Bryn Mawr; Jo Ann Benedict, Hathaway Lane, Wynnewood; Jean Grant, Kent Rd., Wynnewood; Nanette Walker, Church Rd., Wynnewood; Mary Walker, also of Church Rd., Wynnewood, and Elaine Roberts, Wynnewood.

Thirteen cases were reported in Lower Merion Township last year. Robert Thomas, health officer in Lower Merion, said that precautionary measures would be undertaken if any number of cases were reported.

Letters Filed As Will of W. P. Scott

Naval Officer Killed in December Disposes of \$246,000

The last will and testament of Lieutenant Warwick Potter Scott, U. S. Naval Reserve, of Green Valley Rd., Bryn Mawr, was filed this week with the Register of Wills at Norristown.

The will was in the form of three letters. Lt. Scott, who was 43 and captured in the last days of the siege of Corregidor, was killed December 15, 1944, when a Jap ship carrying American prisoners was bombed and sunk by American fliers off Olongapo in the Subic Bay.

The estate, valued at \$246,000, is disposed of in the letters, the first of which is written to "Big Ed," his brother, of Villanova, Edgar Scott, president of the Philadelphia Stock Exchange on January 15, 1944. In the second letter, the testator stated in the letter that he had written a will, but had left it in the safe of the Army and Navy Club in Manila. He continued in the first letter, also addressed to "Dear Little A," to "Dear Little A."

"I am leaving \$11,000 each to Beckey and Phil. However, they are not to receive more than one-third of my estate. I also leave \$550 to Sid."

All the rest is left to my heirs under the Pennsylvania intestate laws. Edgar is to be the executor with the broadest powers."

"Big Ed is to extinguish all of my debts and invest some of my money in good common stock," the letter added. "Big Ed is given the fullest, broadest power of attorney and I hereby ratify and confirm whatever he may do. In a parenthetical marginal note, Lieutenant

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Police Chiefs Assured Of Offices in Assn. As Result of Ban

When the Office of Defense Transportation relaxes its current ban on conventions, or at least for another year, Major Samuel W. Gearhart, of Ardmore, superintendent of Lower Merion Township Police, and Samuel Siegel, of Haverford Township, will hold offices in the Pennsylvania Police Chiefs Association.

At the opening session of the association's executive committee's two-day meeting in Harrisburg, the group stated that the organization's constitution allowed the election of officers only at a full convention.

Manfredo Settles Overcharge Claims

Vincent Manfredo, produce dealer, 289 Montgomery Ave., Cynwyd, has admitted making sales over claims prices and twice in past few weeks has settled overcharge claims, according to amended claim of the Board of the Bryn Mawr Ration Board.

The first claim of \$50 was asserted and settled in June. Last week Manfredo admitted several more overcharges on vegetables and settled claims of \$175. Checks payable to Treasurer of the United States were handed to the Board in settlement of each claim.

Cynwyd Home Sold

Harris & Bunting have sold for the Fidelity-Philadelphia Trust Co., substituted trustee under the will of Samuel H. French, deceased, a Colonial home at 193 Rolling Rd., Cynwyd, containing 14 rooms, including seven bedrooms and three baths together with 2-car garage situated on about 1.3-acre.

Lower Merion High School NEWS LETTER

PEC. KEN SCHREPPER 11 has moved again to Camp Butler, N. C. and he doesn't like it. We'll answer your questions first—**TACK BLAIR** and **RED DAVIS** are both OK. **PUD NORDBLOOM** stepped in at the office and said, "I'm not going to be in the operation in the month school, haven't heard of **TED COHOLAN**, we sent you **TIMMIE COOKS** address, and now we'll tell you, KEN. The ears ought to know that you want AWOL on crutches at Atlantic City to keep from being transferred from England's General Hospital. But KEN says they got him and now he's at Butler just the same. **TED SHAKESPEARE** is at England General and when he stepped in at the office a month ago we told him to stop in and see you, but of course you were gone. Check up, KEN, you're OK, and here's hello from you to **MARY PRUITT** via **DOW** or **SAM**.

CPL. BILL SHAND is in Hq. Bryn, 592 E. A. N. APO 443 NY. He is in Heidelberg, Germany, guarding POWs and doesn't like it or the prisoners. He says they're really looking for some of those SS men. Most of our POWs have been heard from. **EARL HANSON** was at the Commencement exercises. **Sgt. PAUL MASON** 14 stopped in today. He was a turret gunner on a B-24 and is just back from Italy.

WALTER COOPER S. 1 C is at the NTC at San Diego, California. He was home on leave in June. He saw **Lee Williams** in Seattle and says it sure makes a guy feel good to see a schoolmate away from home.

KARL BARNETT, S. 2/C, Sim Valley, Danville, R. I., is working in the office. "I sit all day, eating, smoking and drinking coke." He's just gotten out of the hospital, having had scarlet fever.

ENS. WILBUR SMITH is Engineering officer on board a USS LSM. He says they're rough and tough. "We were in a storm for about three days and nights and got very little sleep, because we were constantly being tossed a height of 12 to 14 inches off our sack, and then the ship began to shudder. To top that off, the noise of the bulkheads bulging would keep us awake if we could have stayed in the sack motionless." That's one good thing about the Army—the least the ground doesn't roll. As long as things go well, **BILL'S** job is easy—he only works when things go wrong.

LT. GLENN E. C. HALEY, 41, PPO SF, has received his 38th NL. He's been to Pearl Harbor, Tarawa, Makin, Kwajalein, Eniwetok, Saipan, Ulithi, Palau and others we cannot name at this time.

PFC. GILPIN ALLEN is in France with the Parachute Troops and having a grand time. He says he hasn't done too much, made one jump and got hurt on that one—but he's OK now.

Sgt. JOHN D'ANGELO is with the 60th Field Hospital, APO 403 NY, and his letter is written in Wells, Austria. JOHN wrote a swell letter, telling about his landing in France, and the cities he's been through or by-passed while supporting various divisions. He explains that a Field Hospital supports a division, sometimes two, it all depends on the number of casualties. And some of the divisions he names were certainly in the news a few months back, e. g., the 5th, 65th, 71st and 90th Inf. Divisions, among others; the 101st and 17th Airborne Divisions; and the 4th, 6th and 13th Arm'd Divisions. And some of the cities he mentions—Mann, Kassel, Weimar, Amberg, Regensburg and finally Austria.

JOE FITZGERALD, 44, left Washington, D. C., where he was living like a civilian—and now is on "delayed orders." He stopped at home on his way to the West Coast. Last month JOE told about the wonderful meals and meat he was getting—this letter explains it—the landlady's husband is a Corporal in charge of the Butchers Department of a Commissary Store.

PFC. BILL DALEY writes a card to tell us that he is now stationed at Upper Darby—Co. C, P. A. C. R. S., 3653 S. E. 1 D.

Sgt. LESTER PETERS, 43, is with the 519th Para. Inf. in Germany. He was evacuated during the Battle of the Bulge for trench foot and taken to Bristol, Eng. He's back with his outfit again after having had a furlough, which he spent in Edinburgh.

